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IN Order to impel Mankind to Society, and to promote the ſeveral Syſtems of Community upon Earth, Providence hath appointed to every one a Number of Wants, which he of himſelf is not able to ſupply, and at the ſame Time, hath furniſhed him with a Number of Talents, which, being ſuperfluous to himſelf, are yet neceſſary for ſupplying the ſuitable Wants of others.

This divine Appointment may with Juſtice be carried further, and applied to particular Nations, as well as particular Men. Each Climate differs from others in its Genius, Capacity, Cultures, Products, and Manufactures; and no one Country can be amply ſupplied, but by the Contribution of All.

To this deſireable Intercourſe and Community, of Country with Country, and Man with Man, all Nature opens, and all Arts co-operate. The Beaſts that bear our Burdens, the Woods that ſupply our Ship-wrights, the Rivers, the Seas, the Winds, the Tides, ſeem as it were impatient to unite into one Body, the ſeveral diſtant Members of all Mankind.

Yet, notwithſtanding all that Nature hath dictated, Invention diſcovered, or Art put in Execution for the Benefit of Society; there ſtill remains a conſiderable Defect, which hath not yet been ſupplied, either to the Syſtem of Man in general, or the particular Communities. That is to ſay, due Intelligence is ſtill wanting to inform the ſeveral Members, where the ſuperfluities on one Side may be diſpoſed of, and on the other Side, where Wants may be ſupplied; where Talents on the one Side may find ſuitable Imployment, and where Imployers on the other Side may find ſuitable Talents.

What Genius's paſs unheeded, what Capacities unemployed, what Virtues unrewarded! what Arts, what Inventions, what Diſcoveries have periſhed, which, if known and experienced, had been duly encouraged and perpetuated to the Advantage of Mankind. Theſe wiſh for Employment, thoſe wiſh to employ; Men of Talents ſigh for Encouragement, which Men of Affluence would gladly give, and Men of Affluence for many Articles which Men of Talents could ſupply: In this Place, there

there is abundance of what is wanting in that, and there again is a Superflux of what here is deficient. But there is no ſufficient Knowledge of this, no Medium whereby the grateful Exchange might be effected; the Superfluities therefore periſh, and the Indigences remain.

To remedy this Evil, and to ſupply this Defect, to put all into Intercourſe, Uſe, and Action; whereby the Community of this Kingdom may acquire all the Benefit, all the Force, and all the Perfection of which it is capable, is the honeſt and benevolent Purpoſe of the following Propoſal.

A Regiſter Office is now opened in this City, which, at an inconſiderable Expence, ſhall at once receive and communicate univerſal and perpetual Intelligence from and to every Part and Perſon in this Kingdom.

This Office is intended, as it were, to exhibit one great and continued Market of the whole Nation; where all that is transferable, of Value, Uſe, or Curioſity, ſhall at once be collected and expoſed to View. Where all Manner of Properties, Eſtates, Intereſts, Effects, Manufactures, Employments, Sciences, Crafts, perſonal Talents, Capacities, Qualifications, Endowments, Diſcoveries, Inventions, Projects, *&c. &c.* may meet with apt and immediate Purchaſers, Employers, Promoters, and Rewarders.

By the Medium of this Office it is propoſed, that all who are inclined and qualified to be purchaſers or Venders, Landlords or Tenants, Employers or Agents, Buyers or Sellers, Borrowers or Lenders, Tutors or Scholars, Craft-Maſters or Apprentices, Inſtructors or Learners, Maſters or Servants, ſhall without Delay or Trouble, be introduced to each other, and be all aptly furniſhed and ſupplied, agreeable to their ſeveral Intereſts and Approbations; And that nothing ſhall be ſuperfluous, nothing caſt away, no Property remain uſeleſs, no Want unſatisfied, nor any Talent unemployed, throughout this Kingdom.

If this Scheme does not fail of the expected Succeſs, either through the Want of due Encouragement, or through ſome unforeſeen Defect in the Plan; the national Advantages which muſt accrue thereby, in the opening, facilitating, and ſpeeding all Kinds of public Commerce and Intercourſe, together with the private Emolument and Convenience of every Individual, are ſelf-evident, and need no further Recommendation.

Indeed, if this Propoſal ſhould take the deſired Effect, it might be compared to the great Tree in the Viſion of *Nebuchadnezzar*, whoſe heighth reached to Heaven, and the Sight thereof, to the Ends of the Earth; whoſe Leaves were fair, and whoſe Fruit was much and various; of whom all Creatures dwelled in the Shelter, and of whom all Fleſh was fed.

Or, perhaps, this Scheme may carry the Alluſion between the Body-natural and the Body-politic, much further than Truth would hitherto admit. Where, this *Univerſal Office* or *Great Mart* in Society, may be anſwerable to the *Heart*, in the Syſtem of the Human Body; which, receiving the Blood from every Part, again diſpenſes it to all, in ſuch Portions, and of ſuch Qualities as aſſimilate to the Nature, and ſupply the demands of each, and by thus ſuitably correſponding to the Wants of every Member, continues Life, Health and Vigor to the whole Frame.

By a Number of GENTLEMEN and TRADERS, There is now opened on *College-Green*, oppoſite to the Parliament Houſe,

The OFFICE of

The Univerſal Regiſter,

WHEREIN will be circumſtantially entered,

Iſt. ALL Eſtates and Intereſts, that are to be ſold in any part of this Kingdom, whether Freehold or Chattle, of any Kind, in Lands, Tenements, Houſes, Rents, Annuities, and ſo forth, with the Quantity, Quality, Situation, Nature, and Advantages of the ſame, at the Expence of one Shilling *Engliſh* to the Enterer.

Information to be given in Writing to every Inquirer for Three-pence. Six pence

Many Advantages will hereby ariſe, both to the Vender and the Purchaſer. Every Perſon who is inclined to diſpoſe of ſuch Eſtate, Intereſt, &c. will be ſaved, both the Expence and Morti-

Mortification, of having his Name and Occaſions diſparaged, and expoſed to thouſands of impertinent People, who are no way concerned in the Sale. They will alſo be ſaved the Coſts and Danger of employing injudicious or unfaithful Agents, on this Occaſion. And they will be ſure of meeting here, with every Perſon intereſted or inclined to ſuch a Purchaſe; ſince All who are diſpoſed to ſell or purchaſe throughout the Nation, will by this Medium be brought together and ſuited agreeable to their ſeveral Intereſts and Taſtes.

Secondly, All Leaſes that are to be Lett, whether in Lands, Houſes, or Lodgings, *&c.* in Town, or Country, with the Quality, Situation, Accommodations, and other eſpecial Deſcriptions of the ſame, and the Rent or Terms of Treaty, if required,—at the Expence of Six-pence *Engliſh*.

Information to be given in Writing to every Inquirer for ~~Three-pence~~ *Six pence*.

This Article, in the firſt Place, will, on many Occaſions, prevent the Loſs of Rent in untenanted Lands, Tenements, Lodgings, *&c.* during Weeks, Months, or perhaps a whole Seaſon. *Secondly*, all Perſons intereſted, may, in a ſhort Space of Time, ſurvey the ſeveral Deſcriptions, Situations, and Accommodations of all the Lodgings, Houſes, Seats, *&c.* that are to be Lett in any Street, Town, or Country, where they chuſe to reſide. *Thirdly*, many expenſive and troubleſome Journies, Jaunts, and Searches, will be ſaved hereby. And *fourthly*,

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every Landlord will have his Choice of agreeable Tenants, and every Tenant be accommodated to his Taſte and Convenience.

Thirdly, All real and perſonal Securities for Money, with the Nature, Situation or Abode, and Value of the ſame. As alſo the Names and Addreſſes of all Perſons, who have Money to diſpoſe of, with the Quantities of the ſeveral Sums. At the Expence of Six-pence *Engliſh*.

Information to be given to every Inquirer for ~~Three-pence~~ *Six pence*.

By theſe Means the Borrower will be ſpeedily ſupplied, without expoſing his Name, or Neceſſities to the Public, or meeting with diſagreeable Repulſes from particular Perſons. Both the Borrower and Lender will hereby be introduced to each other, without the tedious and expenſive Intervention of Solicitors. And the Lender will get ſuch Securities as will beſt anſwer to his Satisfaction and Situation.

Fourthly, All Places or Employments, that are to be ſold, or in any wiſe diſpoſed of, whether Civil, or Military, *&c.* at the Expence of Six pence *Engliſh*.

Information to be given to every Inquirer for ~~Three-pence~~. *Six pence*.

By which Means, the Intentions of the Vender, will be known only to thoſe, who are deſirous to treat for the ſame. Large Premiums for Procurance will be ſaved to both Parties. No Names will be expoſed or handed about.

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The Seller will have his Election of a Variety of Bidders. And the Purchaſers will meet with ſuch Places or Employments as will beſt ſuit their Capacities and the Sums they are able to advance.

Fifthly, All Propoſals for Partnerſhip in Trade, or other Buſineſs, with the Quantity of the Sums ready to be advanced, or the Value of Stock laid in, and all other requiſite Conditions and Particulars, *&c.* At the Expence of Six-pence, *Engliſh.*

Information to be given to every Inquirer for Three-pence. Six pence

By theſe Means, all Perſons, on one Side, who are already in Trade, but may want Aſſiſtants, and a further Fund; and all Perſons, on the other Side, who, not being in Trade, may yet be diſpoſed to throw their Money into ſome Branch thereof; will be accommodated to their mutual Inclinations, and Advantage, as well with reſpect to the Characters of each other, as to the Nature of the Buſineſs, and the Quantity of the Sums required.

Sixthly, All Maſters who want Apprentices, with the Trade and Terms required. And all who are deſirous of being Apprentices, with their Age, Qualifications, and Money propoſed, to be advanced, *&c.* At the Expence of Sixpence, *Engliſh.*

Information to be given to every Inquirer for Threepence. Six pence

By theſe Means, all Maſters will have their Election of a Variety of Boys, ſo recommend-

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ed and qualified for their particular Profeſſions, as will not only ſuit the Intereſt and Genius of the Maſter and Apprentice, but will alſo be of the happieſt Conſequence and Importance to the Public, in carrying our Arts and Manufactures, thus adapted to each Capacity, to the higheſt Perfection.

Seventhly, All Maſters and Miſtreſſes, who teach publickly or privately any Art, Science, or Occupation, in Town or Country throughout this Kingdom; with the Situation of their Schools, their perſonal Addreſſes, Qualifications, Recommendations, *&c.* At the Expence of Six-pence.

Information to be given to every Inquirer for ~~Sixpence~~ *Six pence*

The Advantages of this ſingle Article, would juſtly ſupply a Treatiſe much larger than this whole Pamphlet could contain. Every Parent, who feels a tender Concern for the future good Conduct and Advancement of his Child, will hereby have a Choice of able and well recommended Inſtructors, equally fitted to improve the Genius and form the Manners of their Children. All Tutors and Tutoreſſes, thus publickly notified, will be emulous and careful of ſupporting their Characters, and of acquiring further Degrees of Perfection in their ſeveral Profeſſions. And the Community will receive invaluable Benefits hereby, as well in the Morals as in the Abilities of its Members.

Eighthly,

Eighthly, All Kinds of Servants, and Agents for ſeveral Purpoſes, Stewards, Book-keepers, Journeymen, Clerks, Overſeers, Houſe-Stewards, Valets, Butlers, Cooks, Gardeners, Coachmen, Footmen, Grooms, Poſtilions, *&c.* Governeſſes, Houſe-keepers, Waiting-Maids, Cook-maids, Houſe-maids, Laundry-maids, wet and dry Nurſes, *&c.* with their ſeveral Abodes, Ages, Deſcriptions, Qualifications, Recommendations, and Vouchers, *&c.* At the Expence of Six-pence *Engliſh.*

Information to be given to every Inquirer for Three-pence. Six pence

As no Servant will be admitted into this Regiſter, who hath a ſuſpicious Character, or hath lived in any diſreputable Place; and as the Name of any Servant ſhall be ſtruck out of the Books, upon due Information of Misbehaviour: The benefits of this Article will immediatly be felt, and muſt daily encreaſe throughout this Kingdom.

There is not, perhaps, any Article, throughout the Liſt of ſingular or ſocial Benefits, that conduces to the Happineſs or Emolument of Human Life, equal to that, of capable, faithful, diligent, and ſuitable Service: Neither, perhaps, can the Invention of Man project any Method equal to this, for promoting and encouraging the Capacity and Fidelity of Servants; where they will be compelled to conſider themſelves as conſtantly acting under the Eye of the Public, by whom they muſt accordingly

cordingly, be diſplaced or rewarded, rejected or approved.

All Servants will, hereby, alſo meet with ſpeedy Employment, agreeable to their different Talents and Merits: And all Maſters and Miſtreſſes will be accommodated with a large Choice of Servants, qualified to their ſeveral Occaſions, and recommended and vouched in the Manner they ſhall approve.

Ninethly, All manner of ſaleable and tranſferable Effects, whether prime, or ſecond hand, Living, or ſtill for Uſe, Pleaſure, or Curioſity; with the Nature, Qualities, and other ſpecial Deſcriptions of the ſame. At the Expence of Six-pence *Engliſh*.

Information to be given to every Inquirer, for ~~Threepence~~ *Six pence*.

By which Means, nothing will be ſuperfluous, nothing will lie uſeleſs, nothing will remain a Burden upon any Hand in the Nation. And all Things will be poſſeſſed by thoſe very Perſons to whom they will be of the greateſt Advantage or Eſtimation.

Tenthly, All Conveniences for Travelling by Land or Water. As Ships whither bound, and when to depart, with the Terms for Paſſengers. Stage-Coaches and other Vehicles, with their Prices, the Inns whereat they put up, and the Days and Hours wherein they depart and arrive. Likewiſe all Methods of conveying Goods either by Land or Water-Carriages. At the Expence of Sixpence *Engliſh*.

Information to be given to every Inquirer for Three-pence. *Six pence*

Thus the Maſters of Ships, Stages, and other Vehicles, may on the one hand be aſſured of never miſſing a Paſſenger; and on the other hand, all Perſons will have a ſpeedy and ſuitable Election of every Convenience for Travel or Carriage, that this Nation can afford.

The Benefits that may further ariſe to the Public, from this ſingle Article may be very conſiderable, in promoting and encouraging, by quick and ready Fares, all Kinds of convenient Carriages and Conveyances to and from every Part throughout this Kingdom. By which Means all Perſons will, as it were, be brought nearer together, for Traffick and Communication of every Sort, and will acquire greater Power, Wealth, and Satisfaction by being thus united, in a Manner, into one Family.

Laſtly, Where any Perſon is deſirous of being accommodated in any one of the above Articles, but, that nothing ſuitable happens to be regiſtered at the Time of Inquiry; (on payment of a *Britiſh* Six-pence) his or her Direction ſhall be entered in the Office, and an Account immediately ſent, when any thing agreable to the Occaſion arrives.

N. B. The Gentlemen, who have formed themſelves on the above Plan, are principally indebted for it to an Inſtitution of the ſame

ſame Nature which hath lately been founded in *London*, and which hath already met with univerſal Encouragement and Approbation. Further, Thought, Time, and Experience, will correct whatever happens to be amiſs in the Scheme, and may carry it, with due Encouragement, into ſuch Perfection, as will be of ſingular Uſe to every Individual, and of the higheſt Benefit and Advantage of the whole Nation.

Due Attendance will be daily given at the ſaid Office, from Eight of the Clock in the Morning, 'till Eight in the Evening.

N. B. PERSONS in this Kingdom wanting to tranſact any of the above-mention'd Buſineſs in *England*, may have it done much to their Satisfaction at *our Office*, As we hold a Correſpondence with the *Univerſal Regiſter Office, oppoſite to Cecil-ſtreet in the Strand, London*, on the Baſis of which, ours is Built, An Office well known in that Kingdom, from its great Utility to the Publick, The Proprietors of which are Gentlemen of Rank in Life, well acquainted with Buſineſs in General, and whoſe Characters for Integrity, Expedition, Secrecy, and Punctuality, are as univerſally acknowledged as known.

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